



Texas Division of Emergency Management State Situation Report

New Information in Blue Text

Event Name	21-0021 Heavy Rain Incident 11OCT
Date	October 15, 2021
Time	0900
Operational Period	0800 October 14, 2021 – 0800 October 15, 2021
Report Number	3

Regions Affected	
Regions Affected	6
DDCs Active	None

STATEWIDE CURRENT SITUATION: (NWS) The Flash Flood Watch was allowed to expire as the rain continued to push to the east and away from the far southeast part of South-Central Texas. The NWS urges residents and visitors to pay close attention to roadways and country areas as ponding of waters will remain for several hours as a result of the heavy rain from Thursday. Caution should also be exercised along rivers and streams that were impacted by heavy rainfall. It will take additional time for elevated river levels to recede. Otherwise, no weather hazards are expected.

On October 12, Governor Abbott directed the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) to place state response and recovery resources on standby due to the potential threat of severe storms, heavy rainfall, and flash flooding from a cold front interacting with moisture from Hurricane Pamela. The storms are forecast to move across Texas beginning Tuesday night through the end of this week.

OPERATIONAL PRIORITIES:

1. Protect life and property.
2. Support rapid & effective response.
3. Collect and disseminate accurate incident information to improve decision-making.
4. Accurately track incident costs associated with assigned resources for cost recovery.

Region 6 (Includes DDCs 11, 12, 17, 18A, 18B, and 23)

ATX Floods is reporting 114 low water crossings closed due to flooding.

Bexar Flood is reporting 10 of 201 low water crossings closed due to flooding.

DDC 17 – Victoria (Includes: Calhoun, DeWitt, Goliad, Gonzales, Lavaca, Jackson and Victoria Counties)

Gonzales County:

Gonzales County has gone door to door in the areas north (Upstream) of the City of Gonzales to advise residents of the potential for flooding due to river rise.

Gonzales County Sheriff's Office requested assistance from Nixon Fire Department to remove a female and children from a home with water in it.

RESPONDING STATE AGENCIES/ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS

Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service (TEEX)(ESF 9) Texas Task Force 1 & 2 (TX-TF1/TX-TF2): On October 14, 2021, TX-TF1 boat squads received one request overnight in the San Antonio area where TX-TF1 boat squad assisted two citizens with walking out of flood water. TX-TF1 boat squad investigated a report of a potential rescue in eastern Bexar County. Upon contact with Bexar County Sheriff personnel, no assistance was needed. TX-TF1 are continuing to work with local and state partners monitoring flooding conditions within the state.

Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service (TEEX) deployed TX-TF1 personnel on October 12, 2021, at the request of TDEM in advance of potential flash flooding. Texas Task Force 1 deployed (4) TX-TF1 Swiftwater Boat Squads and 1 Water Group Supervisor. The (4) boat squads (eight boats) and 1 Water Group Supervisors are standing by for TDEM SAR Missions requested from local and county governments. The total TX-TF1 deployed now is 26 personnel.

Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) (ESF 13): Helicopters with hoist capability have been rostered.

Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) (ESF 8): Emergency Medical Task Force (EMTF) 2, 7, & 8 severe weather packages are on standby.

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) (ESF 9): Six Game Warden Boat Teams were activated to support water rescue operations.

Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) (ESF 1 & 3): TxDOT continues monitoring road conditions, emergency debris removal from major roads.

TxDOT is reporting water over some roadways in low lying areas in Fayette, Gonzales, Guadalupe, and Wilson Counties.

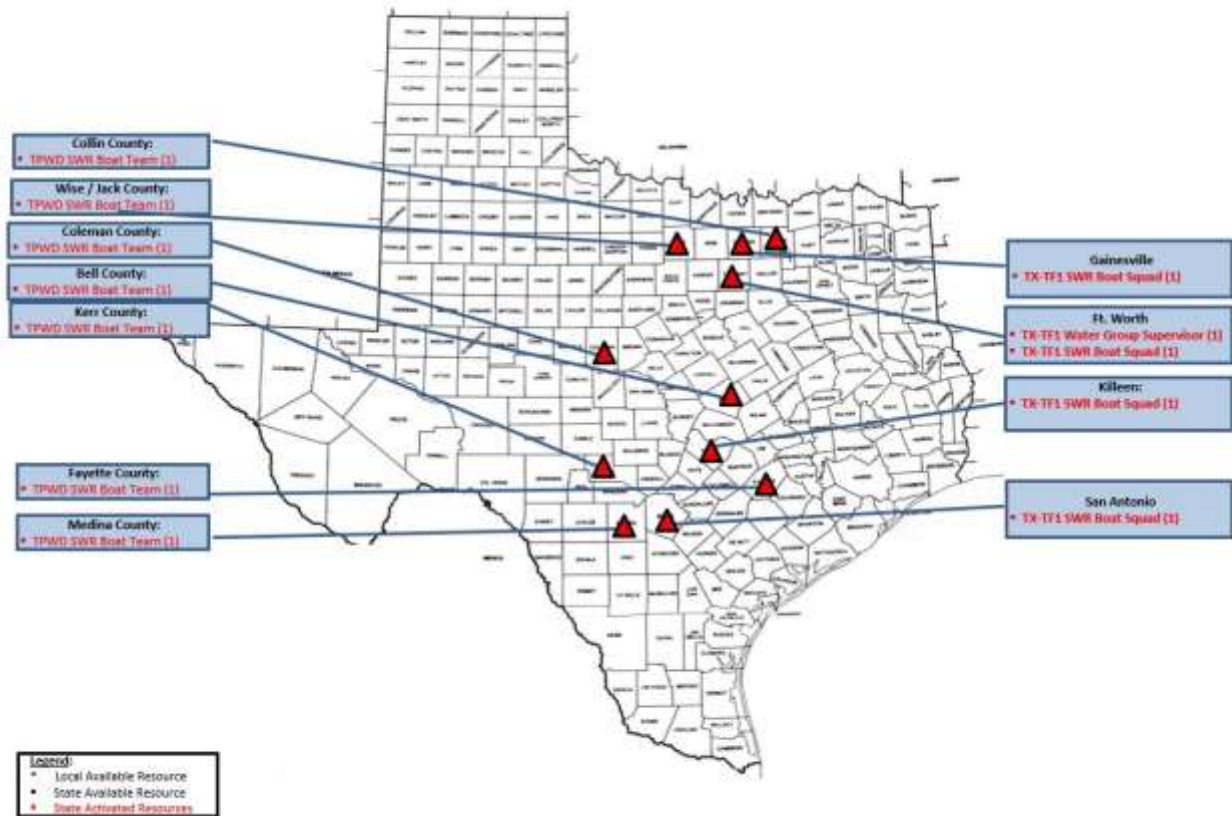
Public Utility Commission (PUC) (ESF 12): Power outage monitoring and coordination with utility providers as needed.

STATE RESOURCES COMMITTED

Agency	Resource Kind and Type	Personnel	Equipment	Status	Location
TEEX TX-TF1	Swift Water Rescue Boat Squads	6	2	Demobilizing	San Antonio
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TEEX TX-TF1	Swift Water Rescue Boat Squads	6	2	Demobilizing	Gainesville
TEEX TX-TF1	Swift Water Rescue Boat Squads	6	2	Demobilizing	Fort Worth
TEEX TX-TF1	Water Group Supervisor	2	0	Activated	Fort Worth
TEEX TX-TF1	ESF-9 LNO	1		Assigned	Austin/SOC
TAMFS	Saw Crews			Rostered	
TAMFS	Incident Management Teams			Rostered	
DSHS EMTF	Severe Weather Packages			Awareness 10/14; Normal Operations 10/15	EMTF 2, 7 & 8
TXDPS	Helicopter w/ Hoist		1	Standby	
TPWD	Game Warden Boat Teams	12	6	Activated	Bell, Fayette, Palo Pinto, Collins, Coleman, and Medina Counties

Activated SAR Resources Location 10.14.2021 1400hrs

This map depicts a snapshot in time. Resource locations are fluid based on response needs. Use the normal resource request process for SAR assistance.



Water Rescues Conducted:

Date	Location	Assist	Evacuation
10/13/2021	Bexar County	1	
	Total	1	

FINAL COMMENTS: The State Operations Center (SOC) is at Level II (Escalated Response Conditions). The Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) continues to monitor the situation and will provide additional situation reports as needed.

The four levels of SOC activation are:

Level I	(Emergency Conditions)
Level II	(Escalated Response Conditions)
Level III	(Increased Readiness Conditions)
Level IV	(Normal Conditions)

This Situation Report can be found on the TDEM webpage at:
<https://tdem.texas.gov/situation-reports/>

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